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TAGS: SHUM, CI, PE

SUBJECT: PAROLE PROGRAM

REF: SANTIAGO 269

1. APPRECIATE RAPID RESPONSE AND VERY CONSTRUCTIVE SUGGESTIONS ON PART OF EMBASSY. FOR OUR PART, WE HAVE SECURED AGREEMENT FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL THAT DEFINITION OF DETAINEES INCLUDES ALL CHILEANS "WHO WERE INCARCERATED OR OTHERWISE RESTRICTED, EITHER AT TIME PROGRAM WAS AUTHORIZED OR SUBSEQUENTLY". WHILE YOU MAY NOW PROCEED ON THIS BASIS, THIS WILL NOT BE OFFICIAL UNTIL GENERAL CHAPMAN HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO CONTACT THE TWO JUDICIARY COMMITTEES. WE EXPECT THIS WILL BE ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 16. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW SOME MORE REGARDING THE GOC'S WILLINGNESS TO RAISE THE LIMIT ON EXILE DECREES TO RESPOND TO A BROADENED PAROLE PROGRAM. YOU SUGGEST WE MAY HAVE TO PAY A PRICE IF WE WANT TO RAISE THESE LIMITS. WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE WOULD BE THE PRICE?

2. YOU MAY GO AHEAD ON YOUR SUGGESTION THAT THE DINA
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SECURITY REVIEW BE DONE ON A POST-CHECK BASIS, PROVIDED SUCH

CHECKS SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED BEFORE ISSUANCE OF PAROLE DOCUMENTS AND TRAVEL OF APPLICANTS TO U.S.

3. WE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FURTHER ON YOUR DISCUSSIONS WITH THE MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR REGARDING A MORE DIRECT INPUT BY THE EMBASSY TO REINFORCE ICEM'S EFFORTS TO FIND AS MANY CANDIDATES AS POSSIBLE. IF YOU BELIEVE THAT OUR EXPANDING THE CRITERIA ON DETENTION, COUPLED WITH GOC COOPERATION ON EXILE DECREES, WILL MARKEDLY INCREASE OUR PIPELINE AND THAT ICEM ALONE CAN DO THE JOB, THIS EMBASSY EFFORT MAY BE UNNECESSARY. WE WAIT YOUR FURTHER VIEWS IN THIS REGARD.

4. WE WOULD WELCOME ANY SUGGESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE REGARDING OUR PROSPECTIVE TESTIMONY ON THE HILL ON THIS PROGRAM.

5. RE YOUR SUGGESTION THAT A CONGRESSIONAL STAFF AIDE GO TO CHILE TO LOOK INTO THIS PROGRAM, WE ARE LOOKING INTO THIS. THE BEST POSSIBILITY APPEARS TO BE MARK SCHNEIDER OF KENNEDY'S STAFF WHO HAS A FULBRIGHT-HAYES GRANT TO CONDUCT SOME SEMINARS IN CHILE. VERY TENTATIVE PLANS WOULD PUT MARK IN CHILE THE LATTER PART OF FEBRUARY OR EARLY MARCH, BY WHICH TIME WE WOULD HOPE SOME OF THESE INNOVATIONS WOULD RESULT IN AN IMPROVED PROGRAM FOR SCHNEIDER TO LOOK AT.

6. SEPARATE CABLE CONTAINS FULL TEXT ATTORNEY GENERAL'S LETTER. KISSINGER

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